

**ABSTRACT**

Threaded connections whereby off-center axial alignment of connected components is maintained, and methods of forming same, are provided. In  
5 one embodiment, threads on one connection component are timed to match the timing of the threads on the other connection component. The one component has a connection sleeve screwed thereon. Once the one component and the other component are mated in the desired axial alignment and such that the threads on each join to form a continuous, unbroken thread,  
10 the connection sleeve is screwed onto the other component to form the threaded connection.